PTO Meeting Minutes March 7, 2025

Reading of the Mission Statement:
Our mission is to help parents of The Classical Academy's Central Campus feel connected and informed. We will provide families with opportunities to bless and support our staff and assist our school as it endeavors to shape exemplary citizens.

Agenda
8:33 AM

- **Welcome & Introductions**
  February PTO contributions and successes
  - Noodles and Company Lunch from Sunshine Committee
  - MOD Pizza Fundraiser

8:35 AM
Speaker: Sherry Wilkewitz, Assistant Principal
CMAS testing is coming up in April. This is the state of Colorado's Standardized test- the Colorado Measures of Academic Success. TCA is not, and has never been, data-driven. We don't prep for testing early, we keep up with our curriculum. We look at the data from CMAS- examining where the students did well and where they struggled. We then use that data to know where to keep our current teaching strategies the same and where to promote growth Math and English Language Arts tests are in grades 3-6. In 5th grade there is an additional test in science. Make ups for absent students take place with paraprofessionals the following week. 6th graders tests are passed to North.

Speaker: Aaron Walters, Principal
Thank you for filing out the surveys-they are so helpful to inform us. Today's assembly topic was humor; 2nd and 5th graders shared jokes and a freshman at North who published a joke book sent a video in.
Kindergarten and the traditional elementary has two snow days left. Kindergarten only has 4.75 hours left, so 2 snow days would push them over. There were approximately 9 snow days built in.

The job fair for next year was just held. We don't have many openings currently, but have encouraged teachers to let us know if their plans change so that we don't pass on qualified teachers.

9:10 AM

- **Business Discussion:** Kennedy Peters
  1. **Minutes**-Approval of February 2025 Minutes, Approved (Jenn K. and Jess W.)
  2. **Voting for next year's PTO Board and Committee Lead Openings:**
     - Vice President (Open)
     - Fundraising Coordinator (Helen Walters)-Congratulations!
     - Secretary (Jessica Whittaker)- Congratulations!

- Member-at-Large-3 positions: We cannot vote on these until we fill our Vice President Position.
- Volunteer needs/Committee Lead Openings for 25-26 school year
  - Decorations Committee Lead
  - Jess Lohmeyer volunteered to change out the PTO and Community bulletin boards a few times during the 25-26 school year- Thank you!!!

3. **Updates from our Vice President:** Taryn Pennau
   - We are still looking for people to shadow the current grades in order to take over for next year's luncheons.
   - Room Parents: reminder to send out the SAM email to your classroom.
   - 25 gift cards have already been donated!
   - Nominations for TCA Titan of the Year due by March 10. Scan the QR code. Each nomination will be given to the staff member so that they know they are seen! Nominations that state how the staff member has gone above and beyond are the most helpful. Remember- any staff member (or more than one!) can be nominated.

4. **Fundraising Updates:** Helen Walters
   - Mod Pizza $1372 total raised! Thank you everyone who came out!
     Northgate- $1654 in sales
     Academy- $2000+ in sales
     Powers- $1646 in sales

5. **Funds Requests & Budget Update:** Brandi Henderson
   - Taryn Pennau, $750 for two special food events for teachers and door decorations. Approved 1st- Jess L, 2nd- Elizabeth M.
   - YEARBOOK SALES START TODAY!

6. **Updates from Committee Leads**
   - **Birthday Blessings:** Jessica Whitaker
   - **Decorations:** Danniel Cea
   - **Lost and Found:** Shauna Boren
   - **Office Uniform:** Shauna Boren
   - **Staff Appreciation Week:** PTO Board Members
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Sunshine: *March 13 will be Dickie's*

- **Teacher's Lounge Care:** Katie Kinney
- **Yearbook:** Veronica Gearhart, Lisa Nagel, Brandi Henderson
- **EduKits:** Jennifer Smith & Mallory Ziedler

THREE DOOR PRIZES AWARDED

9:25 AM

- **Meeting Adjournment**

Additional Information

- **Snacks Provided By:** PTO
- **Childcare By:** Danniel Cea